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Providers

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Change to crisis intervention covered services

Effective immediately, Wisconsin Medicaid recipients in nursing facilities are eligible for all crisis intervention covered services.

Coverage for recipients in nursing facilities

Recipients in nursing facilities are now eligible for all crisis intervention covered services. The covered services are:

- Initial assessment and planning.
- Crisis linkage and follow up.
- Crisis stabilization services.

This coverage change does not apply to recipients who are between the ages of 21 and 64 and reside in nursing facilities that meet the federal definition of an institution for mental disease (IMD). There is one exception to the exclusion. Services may be provided until age 22 for a recipient who turned age 21 while residing in the IMD.

Refer to the Crisis Intervention Handbook and HFS 34, Wis. Admin. Code, for more information on these covered services.

Crisis intervention status unchanged for recipients in inpatient hospitals

The existing limitations to crisis intervention services will now apply only to recipients in inpatient hospitals. As stated in the Crisis Intervention Handbook, the only covered services for recipients in an inpatient hospital are:

- Development of a crisis plan.
- Services to assist the recipient in making the transition to the least restrictive level of care.

The *Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Although the *Update* refers to Medicaid recipients, all information applies to BadgerCare recipients also.

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